

provides long-term loans to small businesses that are unable to secure financing through conventional channels.

About 80 percent of small-business owners who apply for a non-SBA loan get rejected. It is SBA's 7(a) program that gets them the money they need to succeed. In my district alone, more than \$2 billion in capital has been provided to small businesses since 1990.

Not only does 7(a) lending directly support American jobs, it also operates at zero cost to taxpayers. We cannot let this successful program lapse. At the current rate of lending, this program could be forced to shut down as soon as next week.

I urge the Speaker to act on this critical issue before the August recess and make sure that our small businesses thrive.

STURGIS 75TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. WALBERG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the upcoming Sturgis Motorcycle Rally, which will be celebrating its 75th anniversary this year.

Each August, freedom-loving bikers, racers, and motorcycle enthusiasts gather in Sturgis, South Dakota, to celebrate this annual event.

From the first Black Hills Motor Classic rally in 1938, Sturgis has expanded from a single race to a weeklong event attended by hundreds of thousands of people from across the U.S. and the globe. This year, organizers are anticipating well over 1 million people will descend upon the small town of 6,600.

As co-chair of the Congressional Motorcycle Caucus, I want to offer my best wishes to the attendees of this year's event. We hope for good weather, safety, and another successful week celebrating motorcycles and the freedom to ride.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF VAN MILLER

(Mr. HIGGINS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Van Miller, the radio voice of the Buffalo Bills, who passed away last Friday at the age of 87.

For decades, thousands of Bills fans welcomed Van into their homes. Every Sunday they muted their televisions so that they could watch the game with Van giving the play-by-play on the radio. He epitomized what it means to be a Buffalo Bills fan because he was one of us, a native western New Yorker.

Van joined the Bills for the team's inaugural season in 1960, and his voice became synonymous with some of the most exciting moments in Buffalo sports history. His play-by-play of four consecutive Super Bowl appearances,

his exhilarating call of "The Comeback" game, and his word "fandemonium" will forever echo in the ears of loyal Bills fans everywhere.

Van earned a place on the wall of fame at Ralph Wilson Stadium and was the first local broadcaster to be honored with the Pete Rozelle Radio-Television Award from the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 2004.

I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering Van Miller's place in sports history and to recognize the cultural contributions, memories, and joy he brought to so many western New Yorkers.

PULSE OF TEXAS: THOMAS DAVIS—HOUSTON, TEXAS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the President has announced he has reached a nuclear deal with Iran. Some of my Texas constituents have contacted me because they are worried about this dangerous and irresponsible "deal."

Thomas Davis of Houston wrote, "We must not finance terrorism or in any way support Iran's gaining nuclear weapons."

Thomas is rightfully concerned. Since Iran will soon receive billions of dollars, they can continue to sponsor their terrorist groups worldwide. Also, the deal legitimizes Iran's nuclear weapon program development in 10 years.

Thomas continues, "I also urge you to disregard the U.N.'s premature acceptance, as they do not accept something for us or authorize spending of our funds. If their action does give Iran funds from an account we supplement, then defund that account."

Wise words from citizen Thomas Davis. Giving the U.N. the first say on the nuclear deal and not Congress was misguided. The U.N. vote of approval will not intimidate me into voting for this deal.

This deal will make the world less safe, less free, and make Iran a world nuclear weapon power. Isn't that lovely.

And that is just the way it is.

OLDER AMERICANS ACT

(Ms. SCHAKOWSKY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. Mr. Speaker, on July 14, the Older Americans Act turned 50 years old. My constituent Patricia, from Chicago, is one of millions who rely on the Older Americans Act. And here is what she wrote to me:

"I suffer from three chronic illnesses. Meals on Wheels allows me to have nutritious meals despite a difficult medicine regime . . . while not as active as I used to be it allows me dignity in these difficult days . . . it allows me to volunteer both through my church

and the park district and give back to the community the gifts and knowledge accumulated through my lifetime . . . I teach crochet in the park district and to youngsters as well as tutor science and math in my church . . . enriching the lives of many . . . it's what I can do and these programs help me do it. . . ."

Let's celebrate the Older Americans Act by passing a strong reauthorization bill for millions of people like Patricia.

IRAN

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, we repeatedly hear supporters of this weak and dangerous Iran nuclear deal throw out this false dichotomy: It is either this deal or war.

The reality of the situation is this: If Congress does not reject this naive Iran nuclear deal, then we won't be faced with the deal or war. We will be faced with this deal and war.

Why do I say this? Other countries in the region are going to want what we have conceded to Iran, especially because we inexplicably agreed to a lifting of the arms embargo and a lifting of the sanctions against the regime's ballistic missile program.

So what have we guaranteed with this unverifiable deal? There is a conventional and nuclear arms race already set in motion in the region, and Iran will be nuclear in just about a decade's time.

The only rational decision, Mr. Speaker, is to vote against this deal if we truly want to avoid war.

IMMIGRATION REFORM

(Mr. GALLEG0 asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GALLEG0. Mr. Speaker, what happened in San Francisco was a horrible tragedy, and my thoughts and prayers go out to Kathryn Steinle's family.

As the authorities in San Francisco seek justice for Kate, we should not, however, allow demagogues like Donald Trump to demonize entire communities because of the actions of a single person. It is disappointing and alarming that the House Republican leadership is following Donald Trump's lead on immigration.

The bill before the House this week would withhold funds that are meant to enhance public safety, support community policing, and assist crime victims, effectively putting our communities at higher risk.

Mr. Speaker, this is nothing but an effort to cover for the House Republican leadership's failure to bring a comprehensive immigration reform bill to the floor that would actually fix our broken immigration system.